

Remarks

Claims 1-31 remain pending. All of the Examiner's rejections are traversed and reconsideration of the claims is requested in view of the telephone interview of March 20, 2007, a summary of which is provided below.

Summary of Telephone Interview of March 20, 2007

Applicants thank Examiner Alsomiri for participating in a telephonic interview on March 20, 2007, with the undersigned attorney.

During the interview, Applicants discussed the teachings of Keller at al., "Privacy Algorithm for Cylindrical Holographic Weapons Surveillance System," *IEEE Aerospace and Electronic Systems Magazine*, vol. 15, no. 2, pp. 17-24 (2000) (the "Keller article") as applied in the outstanding 102(b) rejections of independent claims 1, 9, 17, 25, and 31.

In particular, Applicants explained that the Keller article does not teach all of the elements of independent claims 1, 9, 17, 25, and 31 as arranged in the claims.

Examiner Alsomiri agreed that the Keller article does not appear to teach all of the elements of independent claims 1, 9, 17, 25, and 31. However, Examiner Alsomiri indicated that he needed to consider this matter further before agreeing that the claims are allowable.

Conclusion

In view of the telephone interview of March 20, 2007, Applicants request that the pending rejections of claims 1-31 be withdrawn so as to avoid an unnecessary appeal of this application. Furthermore, the claims are believed to be in condition for immediate allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. Should any further issues remain concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (503) 595-5300.

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